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PASS AGRICULTURE

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: EC BEEF BAN

REF: (A) STATE 156173, (B) PARIS 13517, (C) PARIS 17560

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SUMMARY: AGRICULTURE OFFICIAL UNDERSTOOD U.S. CONCERN BUT BEEF BAN NEEDED POLITICALLY. OFFICIAL SURPRISED U.S. SUPPORTING EXPORTERS. END SUMMARY.

1. AS INSTRUCTED PARA 3 REF (A) ACTING AGATTACHE MET WITH CORSON OF AGRICULTURE AND OUTLINED U.S. VIEWS.

2. CORSON UNDERSTOOD OUR CONCERN BUT SAID IMPORT BAN WOULD NOT HAVE SIGNIFICANT TRADE EFFECT AS EQUIVALENT (JUMELAGE) BUYING PROCEDURE HAD ALREADY REDUCED BEEF IMPORTS; MOST RECENT ACTION IN REALITY WAS POLITICAL MOVE TO SHOW FARMERS THAT GOF HAD ACTED.

3. CORSON MADE SIMILAR REMARKS AS IN REF (B), ESPECIALLY ITEMS 7 AND 9. HE WAS VISIBLY SURPRISED WHEN INFORMED U.S. WOULD SUPPORT BEEF EXPORTING COUNTRIES AT GATT. HE EXPRESSED VIEW EC AND US SHOULD STICK TOGETHER AS MAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS.

4. HE SAW NO NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL MEETING PROPOSED IN PARA 1(E) REF A NOR RELAXATION OF BAN BEFORE NOVEMBER 1.

5. COMMENTS: FRENCH FARMERS STILL AGGRESSIVELY DEMONSTRATING BUT PUBLIC SYMPATHY WANING. INTERMINISTERIAL MEETINGS CONTINUE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED MEASURES (REF C) AND ON POSSIBLE NEW PROGRAMS TO CALM AROUSED AGRICULTURAL SECTOR.

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